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Hongkong, August 15, 1908. 1133

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MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in
this Corporation will be held at the CITY
HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the
22nd day of August, 1908, at Noon, for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Board of Directors together with a State-
ment of Accounts to 30th June, 1908.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 1, 1908. 1077

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK- ING CORPORATION.

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Hongkong, August 1, 1908. 1078

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Report of the Board of Directors and the
Statement of Accounts to the 30th June, 1908.

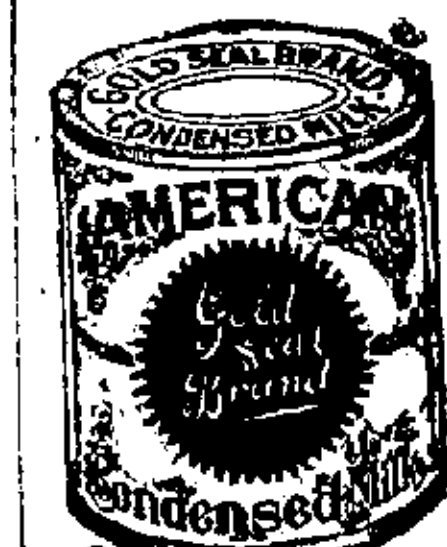
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province with those of another, and to
accelerating delivery by the establishment
of courier lines working on the day-and-
night system. The prosecution of these
aims has led not only to expansion but to
unprecedented expansion, the number of
new localities opened to postal business
having been no less than 767—the highest
on record. The total number of Offices
and Agencies has thus been raised to
2,803; and unprecedented develop-
ment marks all branches of postal
work. Postal articles letters, postcards,
new papers, etc., which had risen from
76 millions in 1905 to nearly 113 millions
in 1907, show a further increase during the
current year of 50 per cent. and total no
less than 167 millions. Parcels carried
have risen from just over a million in 1905
and 1,383,000 in 1907 to 1,917,000, of an
average weight of 3 kilos each. While
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a value of \$1,230,000 in 1905 and of
\$2,339,000 in 1907, have further risen to
\$3,375,000. Receipts show a very satisfac-
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creased expenditure. A most encouraging
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thence by the Japanese South Manchuria
line to Kwantung. Here differences of
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of 25 miles connecting Siminfu, the former
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valuable assistance and facilities afforded.

Towards the end of the year the Shensi
branch of the Peking-Hankow line was
completed and opened to traffic to Taiyuan;
in Kwangtung province the line from Sun-
ning to the coast, where a new harbour is
to be built, was opened; and on the 1st
April through communication from hang-
hai to Nanking via Soochow, Changchow,
and Chinkiang was established, the entire
distance of 203 miles being covered, includ-
ing stoppages, in seven hours. The open-
ing of these lines cannot fail to result in
important postal development.

North China is by far the largest of the
territorial divisions administered from
Peking by the Postal Commissioner station-
ed in the metropolis. With the exception
of the extreme west, comprising Kansu and
Shensi, it is, too, a section with great
possibilities, containing as it does a popu-
lation of close on 125 millions. During the
year there has been an increase in the
number of postal establishments, from 596
to 1,136; of mail matter received and
despatched, from 37 to 61 million articles;
and of parcels, from 307 to 677 thousand.

In Childi not only have all prefectural
and district cities been provided with
postal facilities, but also all market
towns and villages of any importance,
with the one exception of Lamasiao.
The mail matter received and despatched
has risen from 63 to 107 million
articles. The sale of stamps has increased
from \$85,000 in 1905 to \$140,000 in 1907,
and the district is now self-supporting, in
spite of largely increased expenditure
entailed by development, whereas the year
1905 closed with a loss of \$14,000.

In the Tientsin district the number of
Offices and Agencies within it has been
increased from 65 to 110, and the mail
matter received and despatched has risen
from 91 to 154 million articles.

In Manchuria the number of Offices and
Agencies has been increased during the
year from 51 to 80, and this number will
probably be nearly doubled in the course
of 1908. Considerable progress has al-
ready been achieved since the appointment
of a Postal Commissioner for Manchuria
last summer, the mail matter received and
despatched having already risen from 31
to 64 million articles, and the value of
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STEWART.—On the 18th inst., Mrs.

GUTHRIE STUART, at Whitehouse,

Hoylake, Cheshire, of a Son.

DEATH.

ANDERSON.—At Petersfield, Hants, on

the 18th inst., EUTH FANBY, wife of the

late Arthur Anderson.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Tender Closed.

11 a.m.—Tenders for Government Bills

received by Chief Paymaster, Army

Pay Department.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, August 22.—

Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong and

Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the

City Hall.

SUNDAY, August 23.—

Goods per *Forwards* undelivered after

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MONDAY, August 24.—

Noon.—Meeting of Hongkong & Whampoa

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ture, etc., at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's

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CHINA AND WESTERN

EXEMPLARS.

To a nation emerging as is now China

from the obscurity of Oriental feudalism

into the full glare of Occidental pro-

gressiveness, questions as to the form

of government which she should

adopt become of necessity predominant.

Such questions do not admit of settle-

ment by a priori processes of reasoning.

Their solution has to be worked out

as part of the nation's salvation. It is

moreover, as the great Viceroy CHAN

CHUN-CHANG pointed out, possible to have

knowledge of certain factors needed in

the solution of definite problems and

yet to fail in the endeavour to reach

results.

There is full of fervour to the

decadent system which has smothered

the administration of government in

China for many decades past, and the

demand for a new order of things has de-

veloped such an intensity that it has be-

come irresistible. Unfortunately, but

inevitably, the end sought is in this

sphere more readily discernible than

are the means by which it may be

attained. Nothing is more suggestive

or instructive in this connection than the

struggles for political freedom that have

marked the progress of Western nations

in the things which differentiate them

most widely from Oriental peoples.

There is an inwardness in the saying,

"Rome was not built in a day" which

China at the present crisis in her

fortunes would do well to ponder. It

is well illustrated in such works as

MOTTELL'S "Rise of the Dutch Republic,"

and GREEN'S "Short History of the

English People." Europe, in every

country where freedom is worthy of the

name, has been the scene of strife and

conflict as a preliminary to, and a

necessary preparation for, the conditions

so greatly desired by the Chinese. We

observe therefore with no small

satisfaction, that the Viceroy TUN

FANG has advised his countrymen

to study GREEN'S "Short History

of the English People," the Chinese

version of which was recently issued by

DE MACKENZIE of Nanking. Our re-

collection is that this TUN FANG,

now ruler of two provinces, was once

sent to the West on a special

commission of inquiry into forms of

government in relation to the well-being

of the people. It speaks well for

his astuteness and discernment that he

can commend the study of GREEN as

giving the key to the secret of a free

people attaining greatness. No friend

of China would retard her progress

toward the goal of her hopes. On the

other hand, no well advised counsellor

would bid her leap into the unknown

and untrod without a patient and

prescient endeavour to get all the light

possible projected upon her hazardous

way.

That the course China is marking out

for herself is attended with perils may

be seen from the controversies now pur-

sued in the native press regarding the

whole question of the government of

the future. To one class of writers the

occasion has afforded an opportunity

for the cry of "China for the Chinese,"

with special reference to the earliest

possible exclusion of the Manchus and

the overthrow of their authority in the

empire. Anti-dynastic Societies see in

the movements of the time strange and

wonderful possibilities for promoting a

revolution which shall effect their pur-

pose and drive out the northern invader

while restoring to the ancient throne a

race of rulers of their own blood. These

writers have no faith in the racial blend-

ing of the nation for two cen-

turies and a half seems proof conclusive

to them that there can be no enlightened,

progressive rule under a Manchu sceptre.

In direct opposition to the anti-

dynastic critics are men of light and

leading, who have sworn fealty to the

reigning Emperor, and being Chinese,

have formed themselves into Societies

for the express object of supporting the

reigning Sovereign in his endeavours to

bring about a new heaven and a new

earth for his land. Thus the followers

of KWANG YU-WEI will take up with no

scheme of reform which has not the

Emperor's sanction and in which that

august personage is not duly re-

cognised. They have persuaded them-

selves that the hope of the people lies in

their present ruler, if only he be support-

ed and guided by their counsels. Be-

tween these opposite poles of opinion

are to be found moderates of several

schools, whose rallying cry is the echo

of the western reformers, "Principles,

not persons." For them the one thing

needed is not an anti-dynastic rising,

or an "Emperor protection movement,"

but the spread of enlightenment which

tends to bring China into line with

western nations in respect to two in-

stitutions where the voice of the people

may be heard in the control of affairs,

and the wisdom of the people be real-ised

HOME CRICKET.

(Exclusive Service, Supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, August 20.
Surrey obtained an innings and 318 runs playing against Essex at Leyton. The latter eleven compiled an innings and seventy runs.

Hampshire defeated Warwickshire, their opponents at Portsmouth by nine wickets.

At Brighton, Middlesex played Sussex, when the latter eleven sustained defeat by an innings and 93 runs.

The match between Yorkshire and Gloucestershire was abandoned.

SWINDLER SENTENCED.

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(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, August 19.
Heraux, who was tried at the Supreme Court in July, has been sentenced to eighteen months' hard labour for swindling several women, and other people. Large amounts were involved.

TURKEY.

LONDON, August 18.
The Turkish Minister of Public Works in an interview, said that he had telegraphed to England and France for specialists to help in the great scheme of road making and irrigation, and added that Turkey would be assisted by foreign capital.

TRADE DEPRESSION IN AMERICA.

LONDON, August 18.
The trade depression in America resembles the conditions existing in Great Britain.
The imports for the past seven months have decreased by over fifty millions sterling, and the exports by nearly eighteen millions.

THE NAVAL LOAN.

LONDON, August 18.
The London newspapers and City men are sceptical of the naval loan.

THE UNITED STATES AND HOLLAND.

LONDON, August 18.
The United States Government have expressed sympathy with Holland regarding Venezuela, and have informed her that a Dutch blockade or other maritime measures will not be opposed, provided there is no military occupation.

DISASTROUS COLLIERY EXPLOSION.

LONDON, August 18.
A disastrous colliery explosion has occurred at the Maypole Colliery near Wigan, Lancashire. Seventy-six miners are entombed. Rescue parties have descended the pit, but are hindered by the gases, and there is little hope of rescue. Three dead have already been recovered. The scenes at the pit mouth where the wives and families of the entombed miners are congregated are heartrending.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[FROM THE "S.C. DAILY NEWS"]

TRADE-MARKS IN KOREA.

TOKYO, August 18.
The laws dealing with patents, trade-mark designs and copyrights in Korea have been published to-day in the Japanese Official Gazette with Korea's *entire fado* consent to comply with them. They represent a further consolidation of Japan's protectorate over Korea. The regulations, which are the outcome of the Treaty between the United States and Japan, follow the lines of the Japanese laws on the subject; but whereas Japan has hitherto adhered to the principle of priority of application in the recognition of trade-marks, she undertakes henceforth to take into consideration the principle of priority of use as well.

CHIEN-TAO.

TOKYO, August 18.
The Tokyo authorities deny that twenty additional soldiers have been dispatched to Chien-tao for the transportation of arms and ammunition. They also declare that they have no intention of attacking the island.

understanding of the maintenance of the status quo in Chien-tao. Hence, they allege, there is no foundation for the report of a recent Chinese protest.

[FROM THE "TIMES OF CEYLON"]

KHURDIRAM BOSE'S APPEAL FAILS.
CALCUTTA, August 6.
The Indian Government have refused the appeal of Khurdiram Bose, who killed Mrs. and Miss Kennedy at Muzaffarpore with a bomb. He will be executed on the 11th.

CASE OF ATTEMPTED MURDER.
The Bengali charged with attempted murder on the Darjeeling mail train by attacking two Englishmen with a kukri, and who first received two years, appealed and was granted a retrial. He was acquitted by the jury, whose verdict was refused by the judge, and he has now been sentenced to four years' hard labour by the Appellate Bench of the High Court.

CHOLERA AT MADRAS.

MADRAS, August 6.
There was a severe outbreak of cholera in Madras yesterday. Out of 20 attacks there were 19 deaths.

TROOPS BROUGHT TO BOMBAY LEAVE AGAIN.

BOMBAY, August 5.
The British troops and native Lancers brought into Bombay for the recent disturbances all returned to their respective stations to-day.

DISPUTED SUCCESSION AT KHELAT.

BOMBAY, August 5.
A Quetta correspondent writes that, according to the recent decision of the combined *Jirga*, composed in the main of Sarawan and Jhalawana, of the main divisions of the great Baluch confederacy, and with the approval of the feudals and the Chief Khan of Kheilat, Shakar Khan, chief of the Mengels, a powerful tribe numbering some 50,000, was compelled to abdicate the chieftainship owing to chronic incapacity, and to be succeeded by his nephew, the uncle of the deceased Sirdar, who is a well-known and influential man. The deceased chief's son is likewise incapable, and being unable to succeed his father, but have been brought to Quetta and are kept under police surveillance.

The uncle of the deceased Sirdar has, with the approval of the Khan of Kheilat, and the assent of the Governor-General, been appointed to the Mengel chieftainship.

Certain malcontent tribesmen have now raised the standard of revolt against the new arrangement. Having a considerable following they have burned down villages, carrying fire and sword wherever they go. The newly-appointed chief of the Mengels has taken refuge in Kheilat territory, which the rebels are expected to raid.

At the request of the Khan of Kheilat, backed by Major Bannister, the Political Agent of Kheilat, a body of troops has been sent from here (Quetta) to Muzung, the nearest station to Kheilat town, composed of four companies of the 106th Hazara Pioneers, two mountain battery guns, and a troop of the 8th Mahratta Lancers. The troops will, with the help of those of the Khan, both garrison Kheilat and proceed to restore order in the Mengel country.

Sinhal states that the movement of troops from Quetta to the Kheilat country is of no political import. Some of the tribes subordinate to the Khan of Kheilat have quarrelled as to precedence, but the disturbance is purely tribal. The appearance of troops on the border is likely to have an immediate quieting effect.

A SEDITION CASE.

BOMBAY, August 5.
An appeal was admitted by the Bombay High Court to-day on behalf of the editor of the *Hind* newspaper, recently sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment for sedition. Bail was refused.

FLOOD RELIEF FUNDS.

Up to the present \$50,000 has been collected at the Bazaar, at Macao, which is being held to assist the relief of the sufferers through the recent floods in South China. The bazaar at Hongkong, held for the same purpose, realized \$70,000; while \$100,000 was collected at Canton, by similar means.

ALLEGED FALSE DECLARATION.

The trial of Sam Kin and a Chinese woman, on a charge of making a false declaration before the Supreme Court, was opened before Mr. J. B. Wood at the Magistrate's office, when Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, appeared to prosecute.

Li Hon Ma, chief interpreter at the Supreme Court, said it was part of his duty to fill up papers, so the administration of estates under a small sum.

The exhibits produced were in his handwriting. He first saw the petitioner at the Registry, and after being told what he wanted to do, he saw the Registrar, Mr. Seth, who directed witnesses to fill up the necessary papers. The information for the petition, witness obtained from a woman, but he could not say whether defendant was the declarant. Witness explained to the woman why the declaration was required, and she appeared to thoroughly understand what was said. After the papers were filled up they were handed to Mr. Mackie to interpret so that there should be no mistake.

His Worship—Is it part of your duty to certify that you believe certain documents to be true?

Witness—No, and this is the first I remember having signed, saying I believed the contents to be true.

Further evidence having been heard the case was adjourned.

KOREA PASSES THE FLEETS.

High Times Aboard.

The Pacific Mail steamer Korea, which arrived in port yesterday, brought among her two hundred and twenty cabin passengers quite a number of important persons, among them being Commander Edward Lloyd, of the United States Navy, who is proceeding to Manila where, on arrival, he will take over command of one of the battleships; Lieut. General von Saldern; Judge W. L. Goldborough; Dr. F. J. Whitehill, Mr. A. Moreno, who will act as Consul and represent the Republic of Panama, also arrived by the Korea. It is several days since this vessel had such a full complement of passengers, both cabin and steerage. Four of the Asiatics never reached their colonial homes—which was their intention when leaving San Francisco—since dying on ship board from natural causes, their bodies were consigned to the watery deep.

From the day the Korea left San Francisco there was always something of interest happening on board. Dances were almost a nightly occurrence, as the sea the whole way out was as smooth as a mill pond. In the daytime sports and games of every kind imaginable were indulged in, under the direction of Passer Allen, the children's friend and biggest playmate.

On arrival at Honolulu the passengers were treated to a fine example of how, and how not, a shark should be captured. It was while the great ship was lying quietly at anchor in the quarantine ground waiting for the doctor that several huge sharks put in an appearance, and they did not leave the vicinity of the steamer until she had heaved anchor previous to commencing her run to Yokohama. Chou Tai, the Chinese sailors' storekeeper, on hearing the cry of "Sharks," quickly threw up the work on which he was then engaged and arming himself with one of the longest boat hooks he could find, went down to the lower deck and succeeded in spearing, to the intense delight of the passengers, one of the huge and ugly sea fish which, when hoisted aboard by willing Chinese hands—in anticipation of a great feast of shark's fins—was found to measure exactly fourteen feet.

After another pleasant run of a few days, the Korea arrived at Yokohama on time and discharged her big load of beautiful human cargo in the form of the wives and families of the naval officers of the American fleet. In Yokohama these ladies will remain until such time that the fleet arrives there, when they will be joined by their husbands. So many of the party, indeed, from the Korea that the local hotels will have all their work before them to get all comfortably housed.

Between this port and Shanghai, which she left at 10 p.m. on the 16th, after passing Steep Island, the steamer ran into a typhoon travelling a westerly, which it had little effect on the huge liner, which heaved magnificently. A funny incident was the finding by some of the ship's officers of several large grasshoppers, which afforded great amusement to the passengers, since practical jokes were played with them on their friends.

On arrival at Hongkong, besides the passengers already mentioned, there was quite a large number of school teachers, army and navy officers, and several young men representing various branches of the American Civil Service, who landed, some of the latter transferred immediately to the steamer *Tanning*, which left for Manila yesterday.

On the last homeward trip of the Korea, quite a practical joke was played on the passengers. Between Honolulu and San Francisco they were informed that the American fleet would be visible during the night. On this announcement being made every one, of course, was on the qui vive. All who wished to be awakened as soon as the fleet bore in sight were to leave their names with Mr. H. M. Wheeler and Dr. J. D. Van Vleet. Two popular passengers, who kindly consented to act as bell boys. Nearly all the 198 passengers left word to be called. The next morning at two o'clock, as the Korea was ploughing her way through the heaving darkness, all those who had left their names were aroused. Out on the docks they rushed, mostly in *disabille* bathrobes and expressions of surprise. All around, and expressions of delight were uttered over the prospective sight as the crowd followed Messrs. Wheeler and Van Vleet avoided to a point of vantage on the forward deck. There they were treated to a most ludicrous sight; a number of tiny wooden boats in a huge bath tub. The two conspirators only eyed their lives by timely flight and stowing away. The good-natured crowd, however, made the best of the joke and then sought out other victims whom they in turn badly fooled. But the next day the real Atlantic fleet of battleships put in an appearance and afforded such a grand sight that it fully healed the soreness of the night before. The tables were then turned on the two practical jokers who had laughed so uproariously when they showed their victims the tiny boats in the tub. When the real ships went by, they were both taking a nap and were not aroused until the last of them was nearly out of sight.

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THE B ROK FOR A THIEF.

A Chinaman was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, at the Magistrate's court, to-day, and to receive twenty-four strokes with the birch, for snatching an earplug from a woman in Queen's Road. Her amah who was with her chased the prisoner as far as Jervis's Street, where he was captured.

A TRAMP ABROAD.

A Correspondent writes:—After the tremendous amount of damage done by the recent typhoon in Hongkong and its neighbourhood, it was not without interest that I was enabled to compare the effects of the historic hurricane, as they appeared in the country to the west of Meaco, through which I travelled a few days ago. In a word these effects were not to be compared to what we saw in Hongkong. When the people were questioned the reply always was that there had been, indeed, a very great storm, and that they had not seen one so furious for a long time. When, however, the results were examined, it was abundantly clear that nothing like the force of wind registered here could have been encountered in this part of the Province. It is true that there were many small branches of trees wrenched off, or partially so, and as I went along these were hanging about on all sides. On the other hand no large branches were torn from their trunks, and I do not think that I saw one tree torn up by the roots. On the other hand there were pieces of walls that had been blown down here and there which showed that the force of the wind was considerable. One long piece of wall recently erected in connection with one of the new Hongkong, was levelled to the ground. But then it was not substantial, and indeed boasted only of two rows of bricks, put up side by side with a space between them. I saw, too, in one or two cases, that the ornamented ends of roofs, which, as all know, are built often much higher than the roof itself, and are therefore peculiarly liable to catch the wind, were blown over. This top would indicate that the wind blow with considerable force. Here and there I noticed that small houses had been blown down, but then often enough these have a very precarious tenure of life, and at times one wonders why they don't fall of their own accord. On the whole, therefore, it would appear as if there had been a strong gale about forty miles from Meaco, and though considerable damage was done, nothing like the effects seen in Canton and on Kong were to be able anywhere. Nor did I hear of any boats being wrecked or lives lost anywhere in the district.

ATTITUDE OF THE PEOPLE TOWARDS CHRISTIAN PREACHERS.

Throughout this part of Southern China there is a very marked change in the attitude of the people, educated and ignorant alike, towards the Christian teacher. There was a day, and not so long ago, when he was greeted, not only with the usual epithets of "Foreign Devil," with a good deal of the "devil" in the objection, but also many of the people would not hesitate to use Anglicised oaths. These of course were returned enigmatically, who had managed to pick up a few other phrases, which they followed the occupation of cooks and washerwomen in the hands of their temporary alienation. It is not pleasant to be called upon in one's own language by an alien people, and yet that was no means an uncommon incident. But as far as I could see on my recent trip, writes a correspondent, this has been left behind. It is true that once or twice I heard the distasteful cry from some very little child, but speaking generally, there could not have been a more marked change in the manners of the people. It is true that the masses do not come in large numbers to the chapels, but this is partly ascribable to the fact that the men have work to do during the day and there is yet a great shyness which prevents the people from coming into direct contact with the preacher and his message. On the other hand they do not hesitate to enter in large numbers, and listen attentively, if the preacher goes out into the open air and addresses them from their own platform, so to speak. I went out one evening and though no special notice was given, in a very short time there could not have been less than five hundred persons present, and the attention was marked and very gratifying. There were a handful of native Christians present, who formed the nucleus of the gathering, and, in a characteristic Chinese fashion, sang some hymns to attract the attention of those who were near. But even this was not necessary, for as soon as the people knew what was going on they came up in large numbers and wanted to hear about the matter in hand. After the meeting closed, a native farmer said a few words in the local Doric. The attention of the people was just as great. The following, evening the villagers sent a message for me to come out and address them again, but I had been so far that day, in tremendous heat, and was so exhausted that I was quite unable to accede to their requests. The number of people that enter the Church is relatively small, but there is a very open-minded desire to hear about Christianity, and there is also a decided unwillingness to show any ill-feeling, or to indulge in scoffing. In this attitude there are certainly significant changes are taking place in the minds of the people, and friendliness and even a desire for the comprehension of the Christian religion are observed on all sides.

AMOY NOTES.

August 18.

THE WEATHER.
Our long spell of hot dry weather was violently broken on Sunday last, 18th, by one of the most thunderstorms it has been my lot to witness. Quite a number of storms have visited different parts of the country inland since August began, but so far none have managed to reach us here, save one on the previous Sunday which, however, was short and sharp. The storm began as usual on country soon after noon, for thunder was heard in the distance a long time before it reached Amoy. I had an extra good opportunity of seeing the storm progress, as I happened to be returning in the late afternoon in a houseboat from a country station, and our towpath tried very hard to make Amoy before the storm broke. Unfortunately the wind was dead against us, and darkness, dense and dangerous, overtook us before we could make the harbour, even though the lights of both Kulangshan and Amoy were in sight. So we let down the sail and anchored only just in time, when the storm caught us in all its fury. The lightning was incessant, and the thunder corresponding vehement, for long before the rumble of one clap was over, the noise of the next had begun, while the rain was extraordinarily heavy, as though it was making up for lost time. Some of the peals of thunder were so violent that I fear a good many places must have been struck, and it will be fortunate indeed if no one has been killed. It cannot be denied that the heavy fall of rain will do a great deal of good, so long as it does not cause a flood anywhere inland. It was midnight before the storm ceased, and it rained for some hours after.

LAWN TENNIS HANDICAP.

For the past fortnight a Tennis Handicap (Gentlemen's singles) has been in progress upon the Kulangshan Lawn, to compete for a pair of very beautiful silver cups presented by our champion tennis player, Mr. W. H. Wallace of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. The final was played off on Saturday afternoon last, the opponents being Mr. Thomas of the Standard Oil Co. and Mr. F. Ewart Jessland of Messrs. Tait and Co. It was won in two sets by the latter gentleman, the scores being 6-1, 6-3.

CHOLERA IN AMOY.
The lack of rain is, perhaps, partly responsible for a serious epidemic of cholera in Amoy. It is reported that the number of deaths have been some scores a day, and one day last week over a hundred deaths were recorded. So severe has the epidemic become that Amoy has been notified as an infected port, so far as Singapore is concerned. Let us hope that the recent heavy rains will help to wash away some of the infectious germs, and so abate the virulence of the epidemic.

THE RAILWAY TO CHANG CHU.
Since the meeting held recently, renewed progress is manifested in the working of this scheme, and as the Government at Peking seems to be pressing for the completion of all projected railways all over China, perhaps we may now see more rapid progress locally. What a blessing it will be when Amoy is connected eventually with the great trunk lines of China, especially the one from Canton through Hankow to Peking, for then we may hope to go all the way to Europe on terra firma, and there will only be the short crossing from Calais to Dover between us and London.

At the present rate of progress, some of us now in China can hardly expect to see this consummation of our hopes; this will be left for the next generation.

CUSTOMS CHARGES.
Among the recent changes that of Mr. Fred Scott, (the Postal Agent here in charge of the Chinese Customs Post Office) to Shanghai is to be noted. His occupancy of this position has been characterised by a thorough reorganization of

all the districts under his control; the opening of a great many new Post Offices inland; the accommodation of the services so that the time occupied by mails will compare favourably with any other provinces of the Empire, especially remembering the absence of railways, and the poverty of the waterways, and the mountainous character of the district. To mountaineers to Ting Chow Fu, a distance of 230 English miles from Amoy, over half a dozen mountain ranges between 3000 and 4000 feet high, in five days is no mean feat. Mr. and Mrs. Scott have Amoy with the good wishes of its many friends here.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

Now that the Old-Age Pensions Bill has passed through the House of Commons, remarks the *Times*, the question which its authors have shirked with so much determination is remaining with increasing insistence to the minds of men of all parties, and not least, we may be sure, to the minds of the men now in power. Where is the money to come from? That is the question; and it is one which eloquent perorations that are found comforting when nothing is to be found except expenditure. When the Bill was brought in we were astirly assured that we need have no concern about finding the money. Ministers, we were informed, knew all about the ways and means though for reasons that have never been explained they declined to communicate their knowledge to the House of Commons. We were told that the resources of free-trade finance are by no means exhausted, that this nation is not in the unhappy plight of a country like Germany, cursed with protection, and at last, under the stress of even carefully closed debate, it became clear that Ministers do not know any more than the rest of us where the money is to come from. This Bill was made part of the Budget, and the Budget has hitherto been supposed to strike the balance of national income and expenditure. But the Budget, this Bill being part of it, shows a deficit of anything from seven to ten or eleven millions, a condition of affairs which is least auspicious to the only grounds of taste, ancient allusions to the financial arrangements of other nations. It is said, of course, that the money is not wanted for more than one quarter of this year. That might pass as a disclaimer if the Bill were an ordinary Bill and not a Budget; but it is no answer at all when the Bill is made an integral part of the Budget for this year, and is thus withdrawn from a great part of the revenue and amendment for which the Constitution provides. It cannot be part of the Budget for one purpose and not for another, and since it compels expenditure for which there is no income the Budget is unbalanced to the extent of that expenditure.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 20th at 12.15 p.m.—The barometer has risen over China, particularly along Yangtze valley. The recent depression probably exists now as a diffuse area of low pressure over S.W. China.

Pressure remains high, apparently, over Japan and adjacent seas. It is not possible to detect the normal over the S. Philippines.

Fresh E. Winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and fresh S. to E. winds along the Northern shores of the China Sea.

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Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

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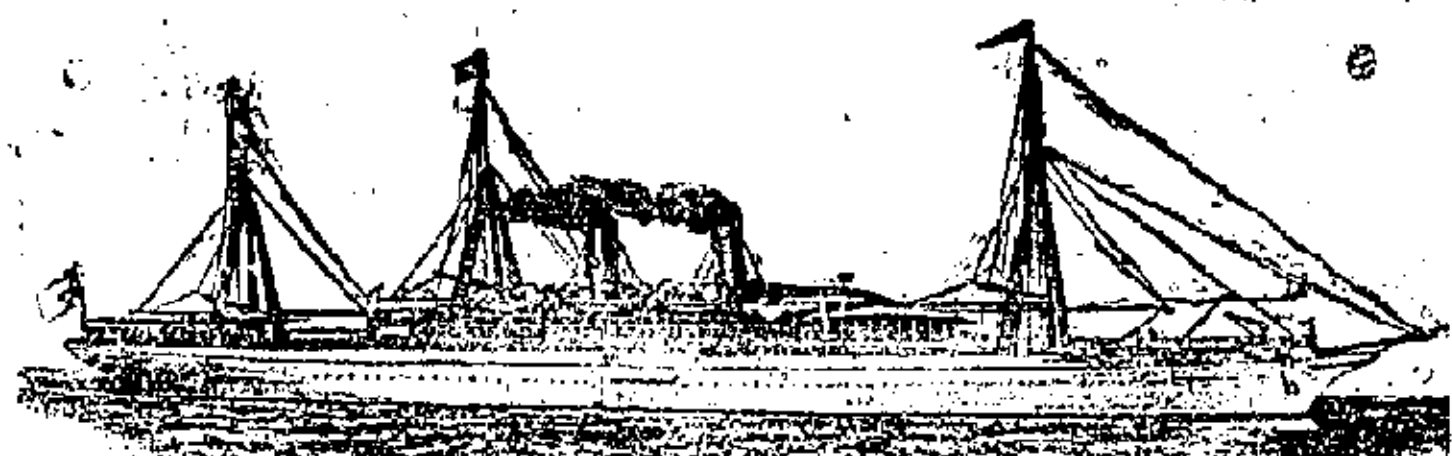
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MALARIA IN THE STRAITS.

The journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene calls prominent attention to the fact that the brilliant results obtained at Port Swettenham, under Dr. Malcolm Watson's directions, whereby malaria was practically eradicated from amongst the community, are in danger of being nullified. One would have thought that if any single portion of the malaria-stricken world had become convinced of the efficacy of modern methods in the prevention of the disease, it would have been the Straits Settlements. The writer would have hoped that the authorities of Port Swettenham will show themselves superior to the backsliding which so easily beset us, and avoid a false policy which can only end in confusion, regret, and grief. The regime by which Port Swettenham was rendered practically malaria-free has been quoted and heralded through the whole world, and to have to confess that the simple measures of commercial needs will be nothing short of a calamity to the health of people dwelling in malaria-infected regions. We do not know on whom to fix the blame of this retrograde step in Port Swettenham, but we know who is found guilty.

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